

The Uzbekistan 2019 Enterprise Surveys Data Set

I. Introduction

This document provides additional information on the data collected in Uzbekistan between February and August 2019. The survey was part of a joint project of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), the European Investment Bank (EIB) and the World Bank Group (WBG). The objective of the Enterprise Survey is to gain an understanding of what firms experience in the private sector.

As part of its strategic goal of building a climate for investment, job creation, and sustainable growth, the World Bank has promoted improving the business environment as a key strategy for development, which has led to a systematic effort in collecting enterprise data across countries. The Enterprise Surveys (ES) are an ongoing World Bank project in collecting both objective data based on firms' experiences and enterprises' perception of the environment in which they operate.

The ES currently cover over 185,000 firms in 151 countries, of which 143 have been surveyed following the standard methodology. This allows for better comparisons across countries and across time. Data are used to create statistically significant business environment indicators that are comparable across countries. The ES are also used to build a panel of enterprise data that will make it possible to track changes in the business environment over time and allow, for example, impact assessments of reforms.

This report outlines and describes the sampling design of the data, the data set structure as well as additional information that may be useful when using the data, such as information on non-response cases and the appropriate use of the weights.

II. Sampling Structure

The sample for 2019 Uzbekistan ES was selected using stratified random sampling, following the methodology explained in the *Sampling Note*¹. Stratified random sampling² was preferred over simple random sampling for several reasons³:

a. To obtain unbiased estimates for different subdivisions of the population with some known level of precision.

b. To obtain unbiased estimates for the whole population. The whole population, or universe of the study, is the non-agricultural economy. It comprises: all manufacturing sectors according to the group classification of ISIC Revision 3.1: (group D), construction sector (group F), services sector (groups G and H), and transport, storage, and communications sector (group I). Note that this definition excludes the following sectors: financial intermediation (group J), real estate and renting activities (group K, except sub-

¹ The complete text can be found at http://www.enterprisesurveys.org/~media/GIAWB/EnterpriseSurveys/Documents/Methodology/Sampling_Note.pdf

² A stratified random sample is one obtained by separating the population elements into non-overlapping groups, called strata, and then selecting a simple random sample from each stratum. (Richard L. Scheaffer; Mendenhall, W.; Lyman, R., "Elementary Survey Sampling", Fifth Edition).

³ Cochran, W., 1977, pp. 89; Lohr, Sharon, 1999, pp. 95

sector 72, IT, which was added to the population under study), and all public or utilities-sectors.

c. To make sure that the final total sample includes establishments from all different sectors and that it is not concentrated in one or two of industries/sizes/regions.

d. To exploit the benefits of stratified sampling where population estimates, in most cases, will be more precise than using a simple random sampling method (i.e., lower standard errors, other things being equal.)

e. Stratification may produce a smaller bound on the error of estimation than would be produced by a simple random sample of the same size. This result is particularly true if measurements within strata are homogeneous.

f. The cost per observation in the survey may be reduced by stratification of the population elements into convenient groupings.

Three levels of stratification were used in this country: industry, establishment size, and region. The original sample design with specific information of the industries and regions chosen is described in Appendix C.

Industry stratification was designed in the way that follows: the universe was stratified into six manufacturing industries and two services industries: Food and Beverages (ISIC Rev. 3.1 code 15), Textiles (ISIC 17), Garments (ISIC code 18), Rubber and Plastics Products (ISIC code 25), Non-Metallic Mineral Products (ISIC code 26), Other Manufacturing (ISIC codes 16, 19-24, 27-37), Retail (ISIC code 52) and Other Services (ISIC codes 45, 50, 51, 55, 60-64, and 72).

For the Uzbekistan ES, size stratification was defined as follows: small (5 to 19 employees), medium (20 to 99 employees), and large (100 or more employees).

Regional stratification for the Uzbekistan ES was done across nine regions: Andijan Region, Fergana Region, Qashqadaryo Region, Samarqand Region, Tashkent Region, Tashkent, Karakalpakstan, Navoiy and Jizzakh Region, and Surxondaryo Region.

III. Sampling implementation

Given the stratified design, sample frames containing a complete and updated list of establishments as well as information on all stratification variables (number of employees, industry, and region) are required to draw the sample. Great efforts were made to obtain the best source for these listings.

Ipsos, the main contractor, in collaboration with SIAR Research and Consulting Group implemented the Uzbekistan 2019 ES.

The sample frame consisted of listings of establishments from two sources: for panel firms, the list of 390 firms from the Uzbekistan 2013 ES was used; and for fresh firms (i.e., firms not covered in 2013), a listing of establishments from State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics, 3rd quarter of 2018, was used. The establishments in the listing are all registered as businesses with the local authority (khokimiyat) and obtain the certificate of state registration.

Table 1: Uzbekistan ES Sample Frame (Fresh and Panel Combined)

		Food	Textiles	Garments	Rubber and Plastics Products	Non Metallic Mineral Products	Other Manufacturing	Retail	Other Services	Grand Total
Andijan Region	Small (5-19)	109	91	170	29	106	313	306	1124	2995
	Medium (20-99)	21	38	66	7	32	75	62	333	
	Large (100 or more)	10	38	17	1	2	23	5	17	
Fergana Region	Small (5-19)	152	86	117	42	162	289	406	1151	3229
	Medium (20-99)	32	50	28	8	39	84	36	444	
	Large (100 or more)	11	32	5	0	14	13	7	21	
Qashqadaryo Region	Small (5-19)	79	15	15	7	65	61	300	890	1944
	Medium (20-99)	9	6	3	0	25	14	31	350	
	Large (100 or more)	8	17	5	0	2	3	5	34	
Samarqand Region	Small (5-19)	221	57	79	65	161	290	635	1400	3627
	Medium (20-99)	53	23	17	12	37	76	55	349	
	Large (100 or more)	16	32	8	0	7	14	2	18	
Tashkent Region	Small (5-19)	246	54	95	59	174	397	645	1433	4103
	Medium (20-99)	90	27	51	30	85	138	59	322	
	Large (100 or more)	31	23	37	0	18	36	7	46	
Tashkent	Small (5-19)	605	171	320	299	245	1678	1275	5868	13320
	Medium (20-99)	214	65	111	103	81	560	151	1238	
	Large (100 or more)	36	25	39	10	19	82	17	108	
Karakalpakstan	Small (5-19)	43	13	10	15	54	49	231	700	1525
	Medium (20-99)	14	5	4	1	27	25	32	253	
	Large (100 or more)	10	12	1	1	5	3	4	13	
Navoiy and Jizzakh Region	Small (5-19)	88	39	25	23	113	107	206	913	2061
	Medium (20-99)	10	16	8	6	32	37	46	317	
	Large (100 or more)	10	26	7	1	7	8	0	16	
Surxondaryo Region	Small (5-19)	63	15	13	6	67	56	217	759	1592
	Medium (20-99)	9	22	0	0	28	12	19	261	
	Large (100 or more)	7	12	1	0	0	1	4	20	
		2197	1010	1252	725	1607	4444	4763	18398	34396

Source: World Bank and the State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics (3rd quarter of 2018)

Table 2: Uzbekistan Sample Frame (Panel)

		Food	Textiles	Garments	Rubber and Plastics Products	Non Metallic Mineral Products	Other Manufacturing	Retail	Other Services	Grand Total
Andijan Region	Small (5-19)	3	0	0	0	1	0	6	0	48
	Medium (20-99)	0	4	0	0	1	1	14	4	
	Large (100 or more)	4	3	0	0	0	3	2	2	
Fergana Region	Small (5-19)	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	5	49
	Medium (20-99)	1	2	0	0	2	2	7	11	
	Large (100 or more)	2	4	0	0	2	1	2	3	
Qashqadaryo Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	1	0	1	0	3	2	33
	Medium (20-99)	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	7	
	Large (100 or more)	2	3	1	0	0	0	1	5	
Samarqand Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	2	37
	Medium (20-99)	2	1	0	0	1	0	8	3	
	Large (100 or more)	3	2	0	0	0	1	1	4	
Tashkent Region	Small (5-19)	1	0	0	0	3	1	7	7	64
	Medium (20-99)	2	2	0	1	3	2	8	6	
	Large (100 or more)	1	0	1	0	1	5	3	10	
Tashkent	Small (5-19)	3	1	2	4	0	15	17	46	158
	Medium (20-99)	2	1	0	3	0	12	15	12	
	Large (100 or more)	0	0	1	0	0	8	10	6	
Surxondaryo Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
	Medium (20-99)	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Large (100 or more)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
		28	24	6	8	15	52	122	135	390

Necessary measures were taken to ensure the quality of the frame; however, the sample frame was not immune to the typical problems found in establishment surveys: positive rates of non-eligibility, repetition, non-existent units, etc.

Given the impact that non-eligible units included in the sample universe may have on the results, adjustments may be needed when computing the appropriate weights for individual observations. The percentage of confirmed non-eligible units as a proportion of the total number of sampled establishments contacted for the survey was 7.4% (242 out of 3268 establishments)⁴.

⁴ Based on out of target and ineligible contacts

Breaking down by industry and size, the following sample targets were achieved (based on the sampling information):

Table 3: Achieved Interviews (Fresh and Panel Combined)

		Food	Textiles	Garments	Rubber and Plastics Products	Non Metallic Mineral Products	Other Manufacturing	Retail	Other Services	Grand Total
Andijan Region	Small (5-19)	5	3	10	11	3	4	6	13	133
	Medium (20-99)	9	7	13	0	7	2	11	3	
	Large (100 or more)	4	4	3	0	1	5	2	5	
	Medium and Large (20+)	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	
Fergana Region	Small (5-19)	4	2	7	13	3	4	6	11	123
	Medium (20-99)	7	6	10	4	4	5	6	7	
	Large (100 or more)	2	3	3	0	4	3	4	5	
Qashqadaryo Region	Small (5-19)	12	8	4	2	8	5	8	11	115
	Medium (20-99)	3	2	1	0	9	0	8	7	
	Large (100 or more)	4	9	3	0	1	0	3	7	
Samarqand Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	144
	Medium (20-99)	9	2	5	18	4	4	6	24	
	Large (100 or more)	10	7	6	2	7	5	0	1	
	Medium and Large (20+)	5	3	4	0	3	4	0	6	
Tashkent Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	128
	Medium (20-99)	6	2	5	12	4	8	11	16	
	Large (100 or more)	5	3	8	10	3	5	7	11	
Tashkent	Small (5-19)	4	3	6	0	3	8	4	11	210
	Medium (20-99)	8	3	5	13	3	29	19	38	
	Large (100 or more)	4	4	4	13	3	11	5	9	
Karakalpakstan	Small (5-19)	3	3	5	3	4	6	4	6	142
	Medium (20-99)	11	5	2	0	11	11	8	7	
	Large (100 or more)	6	2	0	0	10	6	6	4	
	Medium and Large (20+)	4	5	0	0	3	1	1	3	
	Small, Medium and Large (5+)	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	
Navoiy and Jizzakh Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	117
	Medium (20-99)	8	3	8	13	8	4	3	8	
	Large (100 or more)	4	6	3	0	9	9	3	3	
	Medium and Large (20+)	4	4	5	0	2	2	0	3	

Surxondaryo Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	122
	Medium (20-99)	15	7	0	2	14	11	9	11	
	Large (100 or more)	3	10	0	0	11	0	7	2	
	Medium and Large (20+)	3	5	0	0	0	0	1	3	
	Small, Medium and Large (5+)	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	
		162	121	122	126	142	166	160	235	1234

Table 4: Achieved Interviews (Panel)

		Food	Textiles	Garments	Rubber and Plastics Products	Non Metallic Mineral Products	Other Manufacturing	Retail	Other Services	Grand Total
Andijan Region	Small (5-19)	2	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	18
	Medium (20-99)	0	2	0	0	1	0	6	0	
	Large (100 or more)	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	
Fergana Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	22
	Medium (20-99)	0	1	0	0	1	1	4	4	
	Large (100 or more)	0	1	0	0	1	1	2	2	
Qashqadaryo Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	11
	Medium (20-99)	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	
	Large (100 or more)	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	
Samarqand Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	17
	Medium (20-99)	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	
	Large (100 or more)	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	3	
	Medium and Large (20+)	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	
Tashkent Region	Small (5-19)	1	0	0	0	2	1	2	2	37
	Medium (20-99)	0	1	0	1	0	2	4	4	
	Large (100 or more)	1	0	1	0	1	5	2	7	
Tashkent	Small (5-19)	2	0	1	2	0	9	6	19	65
	Medium (20-99)	1	1	0	2	0	6	3	6	
	Large (100 or more)	0	0	1	0	0	2	2	2	
		12	9	4	5	8	30	46	56	170

IV. Data Base Structure:

The structure of the data base reflects the fact that 2 different versions of the survey instrument were used for all registered establishments. Questionnaires have common questions (*core* module) and respectfully additional manufacturing- and services-specific questions. The eligible manufacturing industries have been surveyed using the *Manufacturing* questionnaire (includes the *core* module, plus manufacturing specific questions). Retail firms have been interviewed using the *Services* questionnaire (includes the *core* module plus retail specific questions) and the residual eligible services have been covered using the *Services* questionnaire (includes the *core* module). Each variation of the questionnaire is identified by the index variable, *a0*.

All variables are named using, first, the letter of each section and, second, the number of the variable within the section, i.e. *a1* denotes section A, question 1 (some exceptions apply due to comparability reasons). Variable names preceded by the prefix prefix “BM” or “BMG” indicate questions specific to Uzbekistan and other countries in Europe and Central Asia 2018/2019 and Middle East and North Africa 2019, therefore, they may not be found in the implementation of the rollout in other countries. All other suffixed variables are global and are present in all country surveys over the world. All variables are numeric with the exception of those variables with an “x” at the end of their names. The suffix “x” denotes that the variable is alpha-numeric.

There are 2 establishment identifiers, *idstd* and *id*. The first is a global unique identifier. The second is a country unique identifier. The variables *a2* (sampling region), *a6a* (sampling establishment’s size), and *a4a* (sampling sector) contain the establishment’s classification into the strata chosen for each country using information from the sample frame. The strata were defined according to the guidelines described above.

There are three levels of stratification: industry, size and region. Different combinations of these variables generate the strata cells for each industry/region/size combination. A distinction should be made between the variable *a4a* and *d1a2* (industry expressed as ISIC rev. 3.1 code). The former gives the establishment’s classification into one of the chosen industry-strata based on the sample frame, whereas the latter gives the establishment’s actual industry classification (four-digit code) based on the main activity at the time of the survey.

All of the following variables contain information from the sampling frame. They may not coincide with the reality of individual establishments as sample frames may contain inaccurate or outdated information. The variables containing the sample frame information are included in the data set for researchers who may want to further investigate statistical features of the survey and the effect of the survey design on their results.

-*a2* is the variable describing sampling regions

-*a6a*: coded using the same standard for small, medium, and large establishments as defined above.

-*a4a*: coded following the stratification by sector as defined above.

The surveys were implemented following a 2-stage procedure. Typically, first a screener questionnaire is applied over the phone to determine eligibility and to make appointments. Then a face-to-face interview takes place with the Manager/Owner/Director of each establishment. However, sometimes the phone numbers were unavailable in the sample frame, and thus the

enumerators applied the screeners in person. Interviews were conducted using Computer-assisted personal interviewing (CAPI) in Uzbekistan. The variables *a4b* and *a6c* contain the industry and size of the establishment from the screener questionnaire.

Note that there are variables for size (*l1*, *l6* and *l8*) that reflect more accurately the reality of each establishment. Advanced users are advised to use these variables for analytical purposes. Variables *l1* (number of permanent full-time workers at the end of the last complete fiscal year), *l6* (number of full-time seasonal workers employed during last complete fiscal year) and *l8* (average length of employment of full-time temporary employees during last complete fiscal year) were designed to obtain a more accurate measure of employment accounting for permanent and temporary employment. Special efforts were made to make sure that this information was not missing for most establishments.

The firms interviewed had several fiscal years. Most firms had January to December 2018 as their last complete fiscal year. Variables *a20m* (starting month of last complete fiscal year) and *a20y* (last complete fiscal year) can be used to obtain the last complete fiscal year for each firm.

For questions pertaining to monetary amounts, the unit is the Uzbekistani Som (UZS).

V. Universe Estimates

Universe estimates for the number of establishments in each cell in Uzbekistan were produced for the strict, weak and median eligibility definitions described below. The estimates were the multiple of the relative eligible proportions.

For some establishments where contact was not successfully completed during the screening process (because the firm has moved, and it is not possible to locate the new location, for example), it is not possible to directly determine eligibility. Thus, different assumptions about the eligibility of establishments result in different adjustments to the universe cells and thus different sampling weights.

Three sets of assumptions on establishment eligibility are used to construct sample adjustments using the status code information.

Strict assumption: eligible establishments are only those for which it was possible to directly determine eligibility. The resulting weights are included in the variable *wstrict*.

$$\text{Strict eligibility} = (\text{Sum of the firms with codes } 1,2,3,4, \&16) / \text{Total}$$

Median assumption: eligible establishments are those for which it was possible to directly determine eligibility and those that rejected the screener questionnaire, or an answering machine or fax was the only response. The resulting weights are included in the variable *wmedian*.

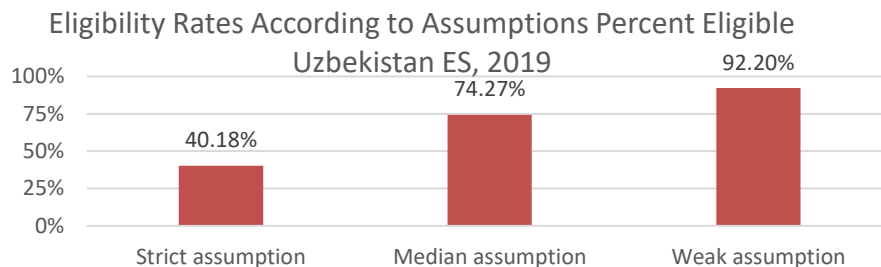
$$\text{Median eligibility} = (\text{Sum of the firms with codes } 1,2,3,4,16,10,11, \& 13) / \text{Total}$$

Weak assumption: in addition to the establishments included in points a and b, all establishments for which it was not possible to contact or that refused the screening

questionnaire are assumed eligible. This definition includes as eligible establishments with dead or out of service phone lines, establishments that never answered the phone, and establishments with incorrect addresses for which it was impossible to find a new address. Under the weak assumption only observed non-eligible units are excluded from universe projections. The resulting weights are included in the variable *wweak*.

$$\text{Weak eligibility} = (\text{Sum of the firms with codes, 1,2,3,4,16,10,11,13,91,92,93,94,12}) / \text{Total}$$

The indicators computed for the ES website use the median weights. The following graph shows the different eligibility rates calculated for firms in the sample frame under each set of assumptions.



Universe estimates for the number of establishments in each industry-region-size cell in Uzbekistan were produced for the strict, weak and median eligibility definitions. Appendix B shows the universe estimates of the numbers of registered establishments that fit the criteria of the ES.

Once an accurate estimate of the universe cell projection was made, weights for the probability of selection were computed using the number of completed interviews for each cell.

VI. Weights

Since the sampling design was stratified and employed differential sampling, individual observations should be properly weighted when making inferences about the population. Under stratified random sampling, unweighted estimates are biased unless sample sizes are proportional to the size of each stratum. With stratification the probability of selection of each unit is, in general, not the same. Consequently, individual observations must be weighted by the inverse of their probability of selection (probability weights or *pw* in Stata.)⁵

Special care was given to the correct computation of the weights. It was imperative to accurately adjust the totals within each region/industry/size stratum to account for the presence of ineligible units (the firm discontinued businesses or was unattainable, education or government establishments, no reply after having called in different days of the week and in different business hours, no tone in the phone line, answering machine, fax line⁶, wrong address or moved away and could not get the new references). The information required for the adjustment was collected in the first stage of the implementation: the screening process. Using this information, each stratum cell of the universe was scaled down by the observed proportion of ineligible units within the cell. Once an accurate estimate of the universe cell (projections) was available, weights were computed using the number of completed interviews.

⁵ This is equivalent to the weighted average of the estimates for each stratum, with weights equal to the population shares of each stratum.

⁶ For the surveys that implemented a screener over the phone.

Due to non-response rates, some stratification cells were collapsed for the purposes of weighting, to preserve the representativeness of the sample. The following cells have been transformed: (i) medium and large firms are treated as one cell in Andijan for Rubber & Plastics, in Samarqand for Retail; in Karakalpakstan for Garments; in Navoiy and Central for Rubber & Plastics; in Surxondaryo and Central for Other Manufacturing. (ii) small, medium, and large firms are treated as one cell in Surxondaryo for Garments; in Karakalpakstan for Rubber & Plastics.

VII. Appropriate use of the weights

Under stratified random sampling, weights should be used when making inferences about the population. Any estimate or indicator that aims at describing some feature of the population should take into account that individual observations may not represent equal shares of the population.

However, there is some discussion as to the use of weights in regressions (see Deaton, 1997, pp.67; Lohr, 1999, chapter 11, Cochran, 1953, pp.150). There is not strong large-sample econometric argument in favor of using weighted estimation for a common population coefficient if the underlying model varies per stratum (stratum-specific coefficient): both simple OLS and weighted OLS are inconsistent under regular conditions. However, weighted OLS have the advantage of providing an estimate that is independent of the sample design. This latter point may be quite relevant for the ES as in most cases the objective is not only to obtain model-unbiased estimates but also design-unbiased estimates (see also Cochran, 1977, pp 200 who favors the used of weighted OLS for a common population coefficient.)⁷

From a more general approach, if the regressions are descriptive of the population then weights should be used. The estimated model can be thought of as the relationship that would be expected if the whole population were observed.⁸ If the models are developed as structural relationships or behavioral models that may vary for different parts of the population, then, there is no reason to use weights.

VIII. Non-response

Survey non-response must be differentiated from item non-response. The former refers to refusals to participate in the survey altogether whereas the latter refers to the refusals to answer some specific questions. Enterprise Surveys suffer from both problems and different strategies were used to address these issues.

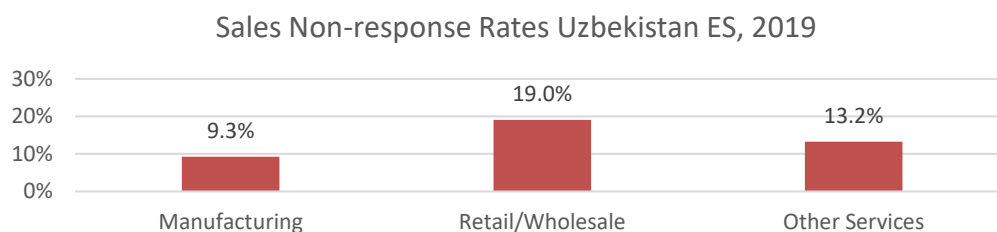
Item non-response was addressed by two strategies:

a- For sensitive questions that may generate negative reactions from the respondent, such as corruption or tax evasion, enumerators were instructed to collect the refusal to respond (-8) as a different option from don't know (-9).

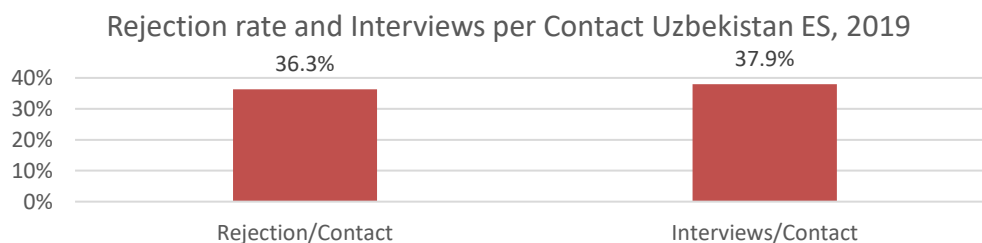
⁷ Note that weighted OLS in Stata using the command regress with the option of weights will estimate wrong standard errors. Using the Stata survey specific commands svy will provide appropriate standard errors.

⁸ The use weights in most model-assisted estimations using survey data is strongly recommended by the statisticians specialized on survey methodology of the JPSM of the University of Michigan and the University of Maryland.

b- Establishments with incomplete information were re-contacted in order to complete this information, whenever necessary. However, there were clear cases of low response. The following graph shows non-response rates for the sales variable, d2, by sector. Please, note that for this specific question, refusals were not separately identified from “Don’t know” responses.



As the following graph shows, the number of interviews per contacted establishments was 0.38.⁹ This number is the result of two factors: explicit refusals to participate in the survey, as reflected by the rate of rejection (which includes rejections of the screener and the main survey) and the quality of the sample frame, as represented by the presence of ineligible units. The share of rejections per contact was 0.36.



Details on the rejection rate, eligibility rate, and item non-response are available at the level strata. This report summarizes these numbers to alert researchers of these issues when using the data and when making inferences. Item non-response, selection bias, and faulty sampling frames are not unique to Uzbekistan. All enterprise surveys suffer from these shortcomings, but in very few cases they have been made explicit.

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⁹ The estimate is based on the total no. of firms contacted including ineligible establishments.

Appendix A

Status Codes Enterprise Survey (ES) :

0	Screening in process	14. In process (the establishment is being called/ is being contacted - previous to ask the screener)	0
1313	Eligible	1. Eligible establishment (Correct name and address)	1265
		2. Eligible establishment (Different name but same address - the new firm/establishment bought the original firm/establishment)	12
		3. Eligible establishment (Different name but same address - the firm/establishment changed its name)	7
		4. Eligible establishment (Moved and traced)	22
		16. Eligible establishment (Panel Firm - now less than five employees; this code applies only to panel firms.)	7
1114	Screener refusal	13. Refuses to answer the screener	1114
241	Ineligible	5. The establishment has less than 5 permanent full time employees	30
		616. The firm discontinued businesses - (Establishment went bankrupt)	48
		618. The firm discontinued businesses - (Original establishment disappeared and is now a different firm)	19
		619. The firm discontinued businesses - (Establishment was bought out by another firm)	4
		620. The firm discontinued businesses - (It was impossible to determine for what reason)	29
		621. The firm discontinued businesses - (Other)	29
		71. Ineligible legal status: not a business, but private household	51
		72. Ineligible legal status: cooperatives, non-profit organizations, etc.	10
14	Out of Target	8. Ineligible activity: Education, Agriculture, Finances, Government, etc.	21
		151. Out of target - outside the covered regions	0
		152. Out of target - moved abroad	0
		153. Out of target - Not registered with Statistical Authority	1
		154. Out of target - establishment is HQ without production or sales of goods or services	1
		155. Out of target - establishment was not in operation for the entirety of last fiscal year	10
		156. Duplicated firm within the sample	2
586	Unobtainable	157. Out of target - location that is not HQ and does not have financial statements prepared separately	0
		91. No reply after having called in different days of the week and in different business hours	4
		92. Line out of order	0
		93. No tone	0
		94. Phone number does not exist	0
		10. Answering machine	0
		11. Fax line- data line	0
12. Wrong address/ moved away and could not get the new references	582		
3268	Total contacted		

Response Outcomes : Uzbekistan ES 2019 :

Target and totals	Sample target	1200
	Sample target completion rate	103.3%
	Total contacts available in frame	34396
	Total contacts issued	3454
	Total contacts contacted	3268

Screening phase	Screening in process	0
	Eligibles	1313
	Screener refusal	1114
	Ineligible + out of target	255
	Unobtainable	586
Interview phase (only if eligible)	Complete interviews without extra module	36
	Complete interviews with extra module	1203
	Eligible in process + incomplete interviews	0
	Interview refusal	73

Percent breakdown (relative to total contacted)	Screening in process rate	0.0%
	Screener refusal rate	34.1%
	Ineligible + out of target rate	7.8%
	Unobtainable rate	17.9%
	Interview conversion rate	37.9%
	Eligible in process + incomplete interviews rate	0.0%
	Interview refusal rate	2.2%

Appendix B: Universe Estimate Based on Sampling Weights

Strict Universe Estimates – Fresh:

		Food	Textiles	Garments	Rubber and Plastics Products	Non Metallic Mineral Products	Other Manufacturing	Retail	Other Services	Grand Total
Andijan Region	Small (5-19)	46	40	76	12	45	125	133	492	1313
	Medium (20-99)	9	17	31	0	14	31	28	152	
	Large (100 or more)	5	19	9	0	1	11	3	9	
	Medium and Large (20+)	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	
Fergana Region	Small (5-19)	61	35	50	17	65	109	166	475	1334
	Medium (20-99)	13	21	12	4	16	33	15	191	
	Large (100 or more)	5	15	3	0	6	6	4	10	
Qashqadaryo Region	Small (5-19)	35	8	7	3	29	25	136	407	890
	Medium (20-99)	4	3	1	0	12	0	15	167	
	Large (100 or more)	4	9	3	0	1	0	3	18	
Samarqand Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	1345
	Medium (20-99)	81	21	30	24	59	99	236	525	
	Large (100 or more)	20	9	7	5	14	27	0	136	
Tashkent Region	Medium and Large (20+)	7	14	4	0	3	6	0	8	1348
	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	0	
	Medium (20-99)	81	18	33	19	57	123	217	486	
Tashkent	Large (100 or more)	31	10	18	10	29	44	21	114	4603
	Small (5-19)	12	9	15	0	7	13	4	20	
	Medium (20-99)	207	60	116	102	84	538	444	2068	
Karakalpakstan	Large (100 or more)	76	24	42	37	29	187	55	455	679
	Small (5-19)	14	10	16	4	8	30	7	44	
	Medium (20-99)	15	5	4	0	19	16	82	250	
	Large (100 or more)	6	2	0	0	10	8	12	94	
	Medium and Large (20+)	4	5	0	0	3	1	2	5	
Navoiy and Jizzakh Region	Small, Medium and Large (5+)	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	699
	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	
	Medium (20-99)	28	13	8	13	36	32	67	302	
	Large (100 or more)	4	6	3	0	11	12	16	109	
	Medium and Large (20+)	4	10	5	0	3	3	0	6	
Surxondaryo Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	690
	Medium (20-99)	26	7	0	3	28	22	92	327	
	Large (100 or more)	4	10	0	0	12	0	8	117	
	Medium and Large (20+)	3	6	0	0	0	0	2	10	
	Small, Medium and Large (5+)	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	
		808	407	497	269	600	1520	1802	6998	12901

Median Universe Estimates – Fresh:

		Food	Textiles	Garments	Rubber and Plastics Products	Non Metallic Mineral Products	Other Manufacturing	Retail	Other Services	Grand Total
Andijan Region	Small (5-19)	83	73	131	23	84	220	255	842	2329
	Medium (20-99)	17	33	55	0	27	57	56	269	
	Large (100 or more)	9	34	15	0	2	18	5	14	
	Medium and Large (20+)	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	
Fergana Region	Small (5-19)	126	76	98	36	139	221	368	938	2738
	Medium (20-99)	29	47	25	7	36	69	35	390	
	Large (100 or more)	10	32	5	0	13	11	7	19	
Qashqadaryo Region	Small (5-19)	65	13	13	6	55	46	270	720	1629
	Medium (20-99)	8	6	3	0	23	0	30	305	
	Large (100 or more)	7	17	5	0	2	0	5	31	
Samarqand Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	0	2225
	Medium (20-99)	134	37	49	41	101	162	421	834	
	Large (100 or more)	35	16	11	8	25	46	0	224	
	Medium and Large (20+)	11	23	6	0	5	9	0	12	
Tashkent Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	0	0	0	47	0	2500
	Medium (20-99)	152	35	59	38	111	226	434	868	
	Large (100 or more)	60	19	34	21	58	85	43	210	
Tashkent	Small (5-19)	21	17	26	0	13	23	6	32	8729
	Medium (20-99)	399	119	214	203	167	1019	917	3794	
	Large (100 or more)	152	49	80	75	59	366	117	862	
Karakalpakstan	Small (5-19)	27	20	29	8	14	56	14	78	1426
	Medium (20-99)	33	10	8	0	43	34	192	524	
	Large (100 or more)	12	4	0	0	23	19	29	204	
	Medium and Large (20+)	9	11	0	0	4	2	4	11	
	Small, Medium and Large (5+)	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	
Navoiy and Jizzakh Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	1566
	Medium (20-99)	65	31	19	18	86	73	166	663	
	Large (100 or more)	8	13	6	0	26	27	40	248	
	Medium and Large (20+)	8	23	6	0	6	6	0	13	
Surxondaryo Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	1213
	Medium (20-99)	47	12	0	5	52	39	177	556	
	Large (100 or more)	7	19	0	0	23	0	17	206	
	Medium and Large (20+)	6	11	0	0	0	0	4	16	
	Small, Medium and Large (5+)	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	
		1542	798	901	516	1198	2861	3656	12883	24355

Weak Universe Estimates – Fresh:

		Food	Textiles	Garments	Rubber and Plastics Products	Non Metallic Mineral Products	Other Manufacturing	Retail	Other Services	Grand Total
Andijan Region	Small (5-19)	103	83	149	27	99	299	285	1035	2791
	Medium (20-99)	21	36	60	0	31	74	59	316	
	Large (100 or more)	10	36	16	0	2	23	5	16	
	Medium and Large (20+)	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	
Fergana Region	Small (5-19)	138	75	99	37	145	264	363	1016	2889
	Medium (20-99)	30	45	24	7	36	79	33	403	
	Large (100 or more)	10	29	4	0	13	12	7	19	
Qashqadaryo Region	Small (5-19)	73	13	13	6	59	56	271	794	1742
	Medium (20-99)	9	5	3	0	23	0	29	322	
	Large (100 or more)	8	16	4	0	2	0	5	32	
Samarqand Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	0	3030
	Medium (20-99)	190	47	63	54	136	250	536	1167	
	Large (100 or more)	47	19	14	10	32	68	0	299	
	Medium and Large (20+)	14	27	7	0	6	13	0	16	
Tashkent Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	0	3798
	Medium (20-99)	240	50	86	56	166	389	618	1356	
	Large (100 or more)	90	26	47	29	84	139	58	314	
Tashkent	Small (5-19)	32	22	35	0	18	37	8	45	12369
	Medium (20-99)	577	156	282	276	229	1608	1194	5426	
	Large (100 or more)	210	61	101	98	78	552	146	1178	
Karakalpakstan	Small (5-19)	36	24	36	10	19	82	17	104	1669
	Medium (20-99)	39	11	8	0	48	45	205	615	
	Large (100 or more)	13	4	0	0	25	23	29	229	
	Medium and Large (20+)	9	11	0	0	5	3	4	12	
	Small, Medium and Large (5+)	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	
Navoiy and Jizzakh Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	1861
	Medium (20-99)	81	34	21	20	101	98	185	810	
	Large (100 or more)	9	14	7	0	30	35	43	290	
	Medium and Large (20+)	10	24	6	0	7	8	0	15	
Surxondaryo Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	1504
	Medium (20-99)	61	14	0	6	63	54	206	711	
	Large (100 or more)	9	21	0	0	27	0	19	252	
	Medium and Large (20+)	7	12	0	0	0	0	4	20	
	Small, Medium and Large (5+)	0	0	0	0	0	13	0	0	
		2074	918	1089	663	1481	4241	4376	16810	31652

Appendix C: Original Sample Design

Original Sample Design (Fresh)

		Food	Textiles	Garments	Rubber and Plastics Products	Non Metallic Mineral Products	Other Manufacturing	Retail	Other Services	Grand Total
Andijan Region	Small (5-19)	3	3	8	10	3	4	3	9	94
	Medium (20-99)	6	3	11	2	4	3	3	3	
	Large (100 or more)	2	3	3	0	1	3	1	3	
Fergana Region	Small (5-19)	3	3	6	14	3	3	3	7	96
	Medium (20-99)	5	5	10	3	3	3	3	3	
	Large (100 or more)	3	3	2	0	3	3	2	3	
Qashqadaryo Region	Small (5-19)	12	5	5	2	8	6	6	10	95
	Medium (20-99)	3	2	1	0	9	5	4	3	
	Large (100 or more)	2	5	1	0	1	1	1	3	
Samarqand Region	Small (5-19)	7	3	6	16	3	4	5	19	118
	Medium (20-99)	8	5	6	4	5	4	3	3	
	Large (100 or more)	3	3	3	0	2	3	0	3	
Tashkent Region	Small (5-19)	6	3	5	14	3	6	6	16	126
	Medium (20-99)	7	4	11	10	4	5	3	3	
	Large (100 or more)	3	3	4	0	3	3	1	3	
Tashkent	Small (5-19)	6	3	3	9	3	20	12	20	132
	Medium (20-99)	3	3	3	11	3	4	3	3	
	Large (100 or more)	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	3	
Karakalpakstan	Small (5-19)	13	5	4	5	11	8	8	7	115
	Medium (20-99)	5	2	1	0	9	9	10	3	
	Large (100 or more)	4	4	0	0	2	1	1	3	
Navoiy and Jizzakh Region	Small (5-19)	8	5	9	8	7	5	3	9	115
	Medium (20-99)	4	6	3	2	11	9	4	3	
	Large (100 or more)	4	5	2	0	2	3	0	3	
Surxondaryo Region	Small (5-19)	15	5	5	2	13	10	9	11	114
	Medium (20-99)	3	7	0	0	10	4	7	3	
	Large (100 or more)	2	4	0	0	0	0	1	3	
		143	105	115	115	129	132	104	162	1005

Original Sample Design (Panel)

		Food	Textiles	Garments	Rubber and Plastics Products	Non Metallic Mineral Products	Other Manufacturing	Retail	Other Services	Grand Total
Andijan Region	Small (5-19)	2	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	26
	Medium (20-99)	0	2	0	0	1	1	6	2	
	Large (100 or more)	2	2	0	0	0	2	1	1	
Fergana Region	Small (5-19)	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	24
	Medium (20-99)	1	1	0	0	1	1	4	2	
	Large (100 or more)	1	2	0	0	1	1	1	2	
Qashqadaryo Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	1	20
	Medium (20-99)	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	4	
	Large (100 or more)	1	2	1	0	0	0	1	2	
Samarqand Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	1	22
	Medium (20-99)	1	1	0	0	1	0	4	2	
	Large (100 or more)	2	1	0	0	0	1	1	2	
Tashkent Region	Small (5-19)	1	0	0	0	2	1	4	4	34
	Medium (20-99)	1	1	0	1	2	1	4	2	
	Large (100 or more)	1	0	1	0	1	3	2	2	
Tashkent	Small (5-19)	2	1	1	2	0	8	9	20	68
	Medium (20-99)	1	1	0	2	0	6	2	6	
	Large (100 or more)	0	0	1	0	0	2	2	2	
Karakalpakstan	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Medium (20-99)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Large (100 or more)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Navoiy and Jizzakh Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Medium (20-99)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Large (100 or more)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Surxondaryo Region	Small (5-19)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
	Medium (20-99)	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Large (100 or more)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
		17	15	5	5	11	28	56	58	195